



Arizona Softball Foundation Diamond Highlights

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ASF Hall of Fame 2009 Banquet



Karen & Dot Present Betty (Farley) Hamman her plaque



*Congratulations to the 2009 Arizona Softball Hall of Fame Class
Pictured above: Patsy Jenney-Colon (widow of Lloyd Jenney), Rojelía Holguin, Tom Bowen, Betty (Farley) Hamman, Gary Clifford, Annie Jackson-Sierras, and Mike Candrea.*



Annie Jackson Sierras at her Memorabilia Table

This year's Hall of Fame Banquet was attended by 240 honorees and guests. The 2009 induction class included: Women players: Annie Jackson Sierras, Rojelía Holguin, and Betty Hamman; Men players included: Gary Clifford, and Tom Bowen; and Contributors inducted were: Mike Candrea and Lloyd Jenney. The 2000 and 2001 Arizona Storm Women's Open Major's Team also was inducted into the ASF Hall of Fame for winning back to back ASA National Championships.

Over eleven hundred dollars was collected from the silent auction this year. In addition, four hundred dollars was collected from the donation containers.

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Tom Bowen at his memorabilia Table



Mike Candrea with daughter Michelle, wife Tina and mother Ruth



It's Time for New Nominees

The Arizona Softball Foundation is now accepting nominations for the 2010 Softball Hall of Fame. If you want to nominate a female player or contributor to the game of Arizona Softball, contact:

JoAnna Burton at 623-979-6823. JoAnna will send you a nomination form.

To nominate a male player or contributor contact:

Paul Rubin at 602 229-8433 or John White at 520 836-6096.



Metro ASA Steps Up



ASA Softball supports the community by hosting the Toys for Tots JO Softball tournament. Teams donated toys as part of their entry fee. Fifty teams entered in four divisions. Metro ASA collected a pickup truck load of toys to be donated to the Phoenix Fire

Department. The toys will be distributed to underprivileged kids in the Department's Toys for Tots program.



ASF Fall Golf Tournament Results



1st Place Women's Division: Jody Retchow, Pat Heichel, Sue Wilson, Sherry Hoages

In the fall of 2009 we celebrated the ninth annual ASF Golf Tournament. Fifty one players participated at the beautiful Aguila golf course. The tournament generated about eleven hundred dollars that will help pay for ASF scholarships and Hall of Fame expenses.



Men's & Women's Longest Drive: Chris Stilwell & Mary Josephson



First Place Men's Division: Matt Ruckle, Mark Ruckle, Steve Hardesty, J.D.



1st Place Mixed Division: Nancy & Rich Funari, Martha French, Joe Chavez



Men's & Women's Closest to the Pin: Matt Ruckle & Kathy Dewell



League of Their Own supports ASF

This year was the seventeenth annual League Of Their Own luncheon and the third year they have selected the Arizona Softball Foundation as their fund raising recipient. What an honor to have such a great group of ladies select the ASF to receive this year's donation of \$600.00. ASF would like to thank all those who donated. The ASF will use the donations to improve the Arizona Softball Hall of Fame and to support our scholarship program.

The luncheon is co-chaired by Dottie Wilkinson, Rose Mofford, and Flossie Ballard. The League of Their Own is a large group of Arizona pioneer women softball players and coaches that gather annually to celebrate their softball days.

This year's luncheon honored the Phoenix College Women's Softball Team, Coach Heinz Mueller and staff for their eight National Junior College Championships.

*League of Their Own Luncheon
Standing in the back rolls is the
Phoenix College Softball Team and
Coaching Staff. Seated are Rose
Mofford, Billie Harris, Dot
Wilkinson, Annie Jackson-Sierras,
Joanna Burton, and Karen
Mischlispy members of the League
of Their Own.*



Scholarship Recipients

The Noni Thomas Scholarship went to Ariel Olea a freshman at Yavapai College. The Arizona Softball Foundation Scholarship went to Samantha Roskopf a sophomore at

Yavapai College. The Maricopa ASA Scholarship went to Alyssa Estrella a freshman at Yavapai College. Each girl will receive a one year \$2000.00 scholarship.

*Pictured left to right:
Alyssa Estrella, ASA
Scholarship recipient,
Yavapai Coach Stacy
Iveson, ASA Metro
JO Commishsoner, Joe
Lane, ASF Vice
President, Karen
Mischlispy*



